'În re Application of:

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## **REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement of claims 25-65 as being drawn to three distinct inventions. However, in order to be fully responsive to the Office Communication, Applicants elect Group I, claims 25-50 and 53-65, drawn to a method of detecting a target myostatin variant nucleic acid and a kit comprising the amplification primers and hybridization probes. Applicants further elect "nucleic acid substitution" as the type of variance; "bovine" as the sample type; "SEQ ID NOS: 3 and 4" as the primer pair; and "SEQ ID NO: 12" as the probe.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

Check No. 579719 in the amount of \$795.00 is enclosed for the four month petition for extension of time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account <u>07-1896</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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